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Under the provisions of Section 413.031 of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Title 5, Subtitle A of the Texas Labor Code, effective June 17, 2001 and Commission Rule 133.305, titled Medical Dispute Resolution-General, and 133.307, titled Medical Dispute Resolution of a Medical Fee Dispute, a review was conducted by the Medical Review Division regarding a medical fee dispute between the requestor and the respondent named above. This dispute was received on 03/27/03.

I. DISPUTE

Whether there should be reimbursement for CPT code 95851 for the dates of service 06/21/02, 07/08/02, 07/22/02, and 08/05/02.

II. RATIONALE

The Requestor billed the Respondent \$144.00 for CPT code 95851 for the dates of service 06/21/02, 07/08/02, 07/22/02, and 08/05/02. Services were denied as "F-Disallowed; our records indicate this service/procedure included in another service/procedure. O-Previous recommendation(s) will stand as they were defined and no additional recommendation is due based on TWCC Medical Fee Guidelines/Rules"

This code is only considered global to 99213 when it is performed by a physical or occupational therapist per MFG MGR (I)(A)(8). According to the medical documentation, the procedure was performed by a Chiropractor. Therefore, reimbursement is recommended.

III. DECISION & ORDER

Based upon the review of the disputed healthcare services within this request, the Medical Review has determined that the requestor **is** entitled to reimbursement for CPT code 95851. Pursuant to Sections 402.042, 413.016, 413.031, and 413.019 the Medical Review Division hereby ORDERS the Respondent to remit **\$144.00** plus all accrued interest due at the time of payment to the Requestor within 20 days receipt of this Order.

The above Findings, Decision and Order are hereby issued this <u>14th</u> day of <u>November</u> 2003.

Michael Bucklin Medical Dispute Resolution Officer Medical Review Division

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